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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
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Sir:

In response to the Action dated July 19, 2007, applicants provisionally elect, *with traverse*, to prosecute Group I, claims 1-4. Applicants also provisionally elect, *with traverse*, the species represented by Formula (I) in which X1 and X2 are both amino groups and A is -COO-.

The alleged basis for the requirement is the Examiner's assertion that "the compounds defined in the claims lack a significant structural element qualifying as the special technical feature that defines a contribution over the prior art, see Arimori et al. US 6,040,415." This statement, which is all the substantive guidance the Examiner offers in the Action as the basis for questioning unity of invention, falls short of the level of information required by MPEP 1893.03(d), which requires the Examiner to "specifically describe[e] the unique special technical feature in each group." The pending Action does not identify the alleged special technical feature(s) mentioned by